

Community Area Planning Initiative

Central Area: Goals



Category 1



Changes to Zoning/Land Use Patterns

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- Goal 1 a** - Remove commercial/industrial business from residential communities.
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- Goal 1 b** - Limit zoning exceptions for the benefit of the neighborhood.
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- Goal 1 c** - Prohibit/limit certain businesses/uses.
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- Goal 1 d** - Control density; maintain single family “feel” of communities.
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- Goal 1 e** - Encourage more high density housing in Central area.
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- Goal 1 f** - Less uniformity – more mixed use.
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- Goal 1 g** - Special zoning regulations for distressed blighted neighborhood.
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- Goal 1 h** - Neighborhood zoning – flexible small scale -not citywide, to keep community together.
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- Goal 1 I** - Business friendly resolution for land use/zoning issues.
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Category 2



City Acquisition of Properties

Goal 2 a - City should purchase dilapidated and boarded up properties if owner refuses to repair or demolish.

Goal 2 b - Eliminate fragmentation of communities by expanding the city to include pockets of unincorporated areas.

Goal 2 c - NE 12th Street – 2 blocks, 8 properties – take over of street by properties – 6th Avenue to 5th Avenue.

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Category 3



Create Cultural Center

Goal 3a - Haitian/Jamaican Outreach. Culture center, city/state sponsored.

Goal 3b - Create multi-cultural festivities.

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Category 4



Create Greenways/Open Space

Goal 4a - Institute Greenways program to full extent.

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Category 5



Create Parks/Playgrounds/Recreation

Goal 5 a - Community recreational center/park - use vacant lot in community to construct building.

Goal 5 b - More local neighborhood parks.

Goal 5 c - Park renovation.

Goal 5 d - Recreational facilities in downtown.

Goal 5 e - Pocket parks with full-time maintenance/security.

Goal 5 f - More parks and green space. Need organized activities for youth.

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Category 6



Develop Community Identity

Goal 6a - Put area names on dividing wall (or permanent banner) welcoming people to different neighborhoods, i.e., Flagler

Goal 6b - More community involvement - city sponsored events for smaller area communities to get to know police liaison,

Goal 6c - Identify natural strengths of community & promote.

Goal 6d - More community support for homeless shelters & mental health/substance abuse centers.

Goal 6e - Have a community Master Plan.

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Category 7



Develop Skills Training Facilities

Goal 7 a - Provide a network of individual public facilities in which residents can meet, conduct education programs, be

Goal 7 b - More Creole city services especially in code enforcement department and juvenile police department employees.

Goal 7 c - Sistrunk – senior empowerment center (housing).

Goal 7 d - Vocational Technical Education training for residents, adults and minors.

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Category 8



Discourage Loitering

Goal 8a - Fence off areas to deter loitering

Goal 8b - Police interaction to deter loitering.

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Category 9



Encourage Alternative Transportation/Transit

Goal 9a - Public transportation – higher density housing; commuter rail on FEC tracks.

Goal 9b - Provide bicycle paths for bike commuters.

Goal 9c - Community shuttles to make connections to transit and downtown.

Goal 9d - Better bus stops (amenities).

Goal 9e - Enforce bike registration.

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Category 10



Encourage Development/Redevelopment

Goal 10a - Allow takings that do not destroy homes, yards and parking – 13th Street – Sistrunk – take entire house.

Goal 10b - Provide affordable housing with adequate infrastructure - America's growing number of people who want to work and

Goal 10c - Redevelop vacant areas.

Goal 10d - Encourage a variety of housing types.

Goal 10e - Improve what is already existing (safer parks, neighborhood shopping, districts, housing).

Goal 10f - Removed abandoned buildings or made livable.

Goal 10g - Create workable, modern rental residential and rental neighborhood commercial nodes within the area.

Goal 10h - Public and private – an Oncor project in different areas of central district to increase interest in improving property –

Goal 10i - Seek development along New River to capitalize on the river as an asset.

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Goal 10j - City needs to concentrate on luring new business to area.

Goal 10k - Attract major employers to create good paying jobs for residents.

Goal 10l - Flagler Heights area – major anchor – “State, City, Federal”.

Goal 10m - Wingate resolution and other Brownfields sites.

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Category 11



Encourage Neighborhood Beautification

Goal 11 a - Beautification: the Forester making trees, plants, and greenery available to rundown areas.

Goal 11 b - Help neighbors upgrade property through cooperative action to create aesthetically pleasing neighborhoods and

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Category 12



Encourage Revitalization/Remodeling

Goal 12 a - Develop methods to assist in making improvements to business appearance.

Goal 12 b - Develop methods for home improvement and renovation.

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Category 13



Encourage Streetscape Improvements

Goal 13a - Beautification of streets throughout the entire CAP area: street pavers, landscaping, sidewalks, swales.

Goal 13b - Enhance general “curb appeal” along main corridors.

Goal 13c - Place utilities below grade (bury).

Goal 13d - Street pavement resurfacing.

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Category 14



Encourage Traffic Calming Techniques

Goal 14 a - Install speed bumps/humps.

Goal 14 b - More traffic (speed) curtailment (slowdowns) in high accident areas.

Goal 14 c - Permanent street closures – (eliminates drug use, drug buys and causes traffic calming.)

Goal 14 d - Use all elements of traffic calming.

Goal 14 e - Timed lights (sensored) – calm traffic.

Goal 14 f - Install more stop signs.

Goal 14 g - Police monitors for high schools - drivers and pedestrians.

Goal 14 h - Faster/easier method for traffic studies to be put in place when residents and associations report problems.

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Category 15



Enhance Code Enforcement

Goal 15 a - Post more signs for trucks not to park in certain areas with their motor running and assess fine on delivery trucks

Goal 15 b - More noise control.

Goal 15 c - Stricter code enforcement needed with uniformity and more severe penalties.

Goal 15 d - Provide focused code enforcement on problem areas.

Goal 15 e - More staff for code enforcement to follow-up on citations.

Goal 15 f - Hold owners of apartments/land accountable for keeping them in good repair.

Goal 15 g - Code enforcement needs a liaison to assist new owners in the community – reward people who take interest, not

Goal 15 h - Abandoned/Unsafe buildings - tear down.

Goal 15 i - Better animal control, i.e., stray dogs.

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- Goal 15j** - Create educational process on home maintenance – volunteers on community service have to paint and clean

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Category 16



Enhance Garbage Pickup Schedule

Goal 16a - Improve bulk trash pick-up and enforcement.

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Category 17



Enhanced Relations Between Agencies

Goal 17 a - Provide city staffing to change management policy – implementation of city programs – (physical change &

Goal 17 b - Form partnership with Broward School Board, religious leaders, business leaders, activist leaders to address

Goal 17 c - Partnership – neighborhoods; private/public; city/county.

Goal 17 d - Form watch dog committee for not for profit organization.

Goal 17 e - Intergovernmental coordination/cooperation.

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Category 18



Ensure Soil & Water Quality

Goal 18a - Preserve clean water.

Goal 18b - Energy/water conservation programs (access and awareness).

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Category 19



Foster Historic Preservation

Goal 19a - Work with historic preservation board to preserve significant historic architecture.

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Category 20



Improve Drainage/Reduce Flooding

Goal 20a - New drainage system for flooding areas.

Goal 20b - Improve swales.

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Category 21



Improve Educational Facilities

Goal 21 a - City should inform School Board of community concerns regarding their facilities.

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Category 22



Improve Information Dissemination

Goal 22 a - Results of projects must be visible/develop method to market area.

Goal 22 b - A single problem should not yield city wide ordinance.

Goal 22 c - Develop a bank of information that serves to educate the citizens about those among us that are lacking advocacy.

Goal 22 d - Better communication from city of services.

Goal 22 e - Provide certain information that may curtail the criminal element.

Goal 22 f - Get neighborhood associations in control area to work together with city to improve appearance.

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Category 23



Improve Lighting

Goal 23 a - New lighting in all of area. Improve street lights.

Goal 23 b - Street lighting particularly around public areas (private developer) – share cost between developer/city.

Goal 23 c - Better lighting through pruning trees and foliage.

Goal 23 d - Provide more security and lighting in recreational parks.

Goal 23 e - More community policies and reporting street lights outages.

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Category 24



Improve Maintenance

Goal 24 a - Make property owners responsible for clearing trash from their property - vacant properties

Goal 24 b - Inter-governmental coordination of maintenance – when maintenance required, know whether city or county

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Category 25



Improve Parking Facilities

Goal 25 a - Find some way for additional parking.

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Category 26



Improve Public Safety / Police Presence

Goal 26 a - Police sub-stations.

Goal 26 b - More police visibility.

Goal 26 c - Need more police in this area.

Goal 26 d - Improve public safety in entire area to include more police presence for school crossings.

Goal 26 e - Ensure we keep the same amount of law enforcement personnel.

Goal 26 f - More community policing.

Goal 26 g - Maintain safety in parks.

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Category 27



Improve Signage

Goal 27 a - Sign program – aesthetically pleasing (Global) – private and government.

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Category 28



Improve Street Trees/Landscaping

Goal 28a - Install swales with trees/landscaping to create uniformity in areas where appropriate and to prevent parking.

Goal 28b - Provide landscape buffer between commercial and residential land uses.

Goal 28c - Improved landscaping on main thoroughfares, gateway corridors, and streets leading into neighborhoods.

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Category 29



Improve Traffic Flow

Goal 29a - Improve traffic flow in problem areas.

Goal 29b - Reassess if streets should be closed.

Goal 29c - Bridge reconstruction where appropriate.

Goal 29d - Make traffic lights more pedestrian friendly.

Goal 29e - Form Task Force – county & city government to discuss allowing Sistrunk Blvd. to become two or three lane to give

Goal 29f - Remove or limit commercial vehicle traffic on the area thoroughfares.

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Category 30



Modify City Development/Design Guidelines/Permitting Process

Goal 30 a - More consistent guidelines for property redevelopment whether commercial or residential.

Goal 30 b - Allow for flexibility in permitting process – specifically for small business.

Goal 30 c - Aesthetic zoning in residential neighborhoods.

Goal 30 d - Regulate and reduce number of pay phones.

Goal 30 e - Require more buffers around industrial areas.

Goal 30 f - Change zoning to restrict strip malls in the Central Area.

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Category 31



Promote Pedestrian Friendly Communities

Goal 31 a - Install skywalks to cross certain major streets.

Goal 31 b - Add, build, or repair sidewalks where necessary in the Central Area.

Goal 31 c - Enforce Pedestrian laws.

Goal 31 d - Create pedestrian oriented sidewalks with shade trees, landscaping, and street lighting to create a safer walking

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Category 32



Provide Activity Programs

Goal 32 a - More community sports and local activities.

Goal 32 b - More community center activities for children.

Goal 32 c - Emphasis on regional services – activity centers; support services; community services.

Goal 32 d - After school community activities supervised for youth.

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Category 33



Provide Economic Assistance

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- Goal 33 a** - Homeowners assistance programs for home owners - make them more visible.
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- Goal 33 b** - Incentives for businesses that hire City residents.
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- Goal 33 c** - Loans/assistance for residential and commercial developers in blighted area.
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- Goal 33 d** - Assistance for property owners who want to improve/renovate rentals.
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- Goal 33 e** - Provide financial or other assistance for property maintenance (front yard improvement, grass, fencing, etc.,

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Category 34



Provide Sewer Improvements

Goal 34 a - Improve the sewer problems across all communities.

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Category 35



Reduce Crime

Goal 35 a - Increase police presence in areas identified by community and crime index; control the migration of crime.

Goal 35 b - Drugs can be reduced tremendously through citizen participation - drug interdiction and education programs.

Goal 35 c - Drugs – need new laws to control the drug problems.

Goal 35 d - Prioritize and integrate crime prevention in city planning on all levels.

Goal 35 e - Better policing of youth.

Goal 35 f - Stop the gathering of groups/gangs for illicit behavior.